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RESOLUTION OF THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY RE: MODIFICATION OF THE URBAN RENEWAL PLAN OF THE SOUTH END URBAN RENEWAL AREA, MASS. R-56

WHEREAS, the Urban Renewal Plan for the South End Urban Renewal Area was adopted by the Boston Redevelopment Authority on September 23, 1965, and approved by the City Council of the City of Boston on December 6, 1965; and

WHEREAS, Section 1201 of Chapter 12 of said Plan entitled: "Modifications" provides that the Urban Renewal Plan may be modified at any time by the Boston Redevelopment Authority without further approval provided that the proposed modifications do not substantially or materially alter or change the plan; and

WHEREAS, Map No. 1 of said Urban Renewal Plan, entitled, "Property lap", designates the properties located at 325-333 Columbus Avenue to be acquired for new residential construction; and

WHEREAS, Map No. 3 of said Urban Renewal Plan, entitled "Reuse Parcels" designates the properties located at 325-333 Columbus Avenue as part of Reuse Parcel 10;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY:

1. That Map No. 1, "Property Map", is hereby modified by deletion therefrom of the following properties for acquisition for new residential construction:

329 and 331-333 Columbus Avenue

- 2. That Map No. 3, "Reuse Parcels", is hereby modified by deletion therefrom of 325-327, 329 and 331-333 Columbus Avenue as part of euse Parcel 10.
- 3. That the proposed modifications are found to be minor modifications which do not substantially alter or change the Plan.
- 4. That all other provisions of said Plan not inconsistent herewith be and are continuing in full force and effect.
- 5. That the Director be and hereby is authorized to proclaim by certificate this minor modification of the Plan all in accordance with the provisions of the Urban Renewal Handbook, RHM 7207.1, Circular dated June 3, 1970.

MEMORANDUM

October 5, 1972

TO:

BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

FROM:

ROBERT T. KENNEY, DIRECTOR

SUBJECT:

SOUTH END URBAN RENEWAL AREA (MASS. R-56)
MINOR MODIFICATION OF THE URBAN RENEWAL PLAN

SUMMARY: This memorandum requests that the Authority adopt a minor modification of the South End Urban Renewal Plan by deleting certain properties from the acquisition plan.

The South End Urban Renewal Plan calls for the acquisition and demolition of three row houses located at 325-333 Columbus Avenue. These properties, one of which has been acquired and is presently owned by the Authority, are structurally sound and suitable for rehabilitation. In another memorandum submitted at this meeting, the Authority is requested to authorize the advertisement of the Authority owned property at 325-327 Columbus Avenue for sale and rehabilitation.

These three acquisition parcels, totalling about 12,000 square feet, are presently scheduled to be included as part of Disposition Parcel 10 (approximately 35,000 square feet), which is slated for new residential development. The deletion of these three buildings will reduce the overall area of Parcel 10 to about 23,000 square feet. The Planning and Urban Design staff have concluded that the reduction in area of Parcel 10 will not impair the marketability of this parcel. It is felt that preserving this row of buildings serves to enhance this section of Columbus Avenue by maintaining the existing residential cale of the area.

It is therefore adviseable to delete the acquisition of the two privately owned properties located at 329-333 Columbus Avenue from the South End Urban Renewal Plan, and to delete all three properties at 325-333 Columbus Avenue from Disposition Parcel 10, in order that they might be rehabilitated and returned to the housing stock.

In the opinion of the General Counsel, the proposed modifications are minor and do not substantially or materially alter or change the Plan. These modifications may therefore be effected by Vote of the Authority, pursuant to Section 1210 of the South End Urban Renewal Plan.

An appropriate resolution is attached.

